

“In mid-April I was mobilized to active duty with the Navy and sent to NYC. I had 72 hours from time of notification to reaching New York. I am currently assigned to the 4th Medical Battalion (USMC) and am working as a Critical Care Attending at Elmhurst Hospital in Queens. We were brought in to assist with a totally overwhelmed staff. When 4th Med arrived there were over 220 intubated patients at Elmhurst. We are now down to about 80. Working in a converted 12 bed ICU in which all patients are COVID+ and intubated with multiple co-morbidities is far different than my outpatient Family Medicine Clinic in New Hampshire. We have a strong team of doctors, nurses, and RT’s and we are taking it one day at a time. I have been mobilized for 6 months and I miss my wife and 2 children back in New Hampshire but I know that what we are doing here is important.”

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